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Re: Middlefield/Ellis/Wisman Area

(MEW Study Area), Mountain View, California

Dear Greg:

This is to confirm with you the scope of the environmental investigation which the EPA has requested BRE Properties, Inc. to undertake on the property known as 515 Ellis Street in Mountain View, California. As you know, we have been working with our consultants to develop a work plan for your review but there has been some confusion about what is necessary. Therefore, I ask that you would review my understanding as set forth in this letter and confirm that it is correct.

The EPA has asked BRE Properties to take soil gas vapor probes on the 515 Ellis Street property. These probes are to be taken up to a depth of 15 feet, depending upon the readings at shallower levels. There should be 1-3 probes near the boundary of NEC, a few near the back of the building and in the middle of the parking lot in the back of the building, and a few around the area in which Genus is storing chemicals. We take this to mean that between

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8 and 16 samplings would be required. If the results of these tests show that there is no source contamination (as opposed to vapors which may have migrated upward from underlying groundwater contamination), no additional testing would be required. If any of the results indicate possible source contamination, that result would be further tested with a soil test boring.

If this understanding is correct, we should be able to have a work plan proposal to you within a matter of days.

Sincerely,

Sandra A. Lambert

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cc: Mr. Tom Fall